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## STATE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

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TO: ALL APPOINTING AUTHORITIES, HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICERS,

AND RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

JANINE M. WINTERS, STATE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR
JUNE 11, 2020

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INTERIM RULE ACTION ON RULE 5-6, ADDITIONAL SUBJECT:

COMPENSATION: MISCELLANEOUS

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At the state employer's request and with the chair's consent, I am taking interim rule action to amend rule 5-6.17, COVID-19 Premium. The amendments extend the premium, which would otherwise have expired based on the extended Executive Order 2020-21's rescission, through the pay period ending on June 27, 2020. The amendment follows bargained letters of understanding for exclusively represented employees. As provided in rule 1-1.4, the rule is effective immediately. The amendment below will be placed on the commission's next meeting's agenda for final commission action:

## 5-6.17 COVID-19 Premium

- (a) Eligibility. An employee who is (1) working as a critical infrastructure worker as was defined under Executive Order 2020-21, as extended, and (2) in a position as a health care provider or emergency responder exempted by the employer from leave entitlements as authorized by §§ 3105 and 5102 of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, is eligible.
- (b) Rate. The COVID-19 premium is up to \$750 per pay period. The premium is prorated based on regularly scheduled hours worked under 80. An employee who works 80 regularly scheduled hours receives \$750.
- (c) Payment. Payment for the premium will be made as soon as administratively feasible through gross-pay adjustments.
- (d) Effective. Rule 5-6.17 is effective from June 1, 2020, upon the issuance of Executive Order 2020-110 the pay period beginning on April 5, 2020, and remains in effect until the earlier of (1) the expiration of the order, as extended June 27, 2020 or (2) the expiration of the leave provisions under the act.